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10:00 — 7952nd meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Somalia

Report of the Secretary-General on Somalia (S/2017/408)

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7952nd meeting) — 7953rd meeting [webcast] — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Morning (following the adjournment of the 7953rd meeting) — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Middle East

Other matters

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General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal meeting (closed) for a presentation of the zero draft resolution on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 22 May 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Informal consultations

10:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the draft resolution on enabling the participation of indigenous peoples' representatives and institutions in meetings of relevant United Nations bodies on issues affecting them

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 11 April 2017, 21 April 2017 and 19 May 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Briefing

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 4

Logistical briefing convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development. Permanent missions and observer missions are strongly encouraged to be present at the briefing.

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Informal interactive dialogue

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 2

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/100, the interactive dialogue will focus on "Overall policy matters pertaining to special political missions – the role of United Nations special political missions in sustaining peace".

A concept note was sent to Committee members on 11 May 2017 by the secretariat.

Fifth Committee
Second part of the resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 **Informal consultations (closed)** Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 149 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations:

United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/71/689, A/71/828*, A/71/836/Add.10 and A/71/798)

Support account for peacekeeping operations (A/71/726, A/71/726/Add.1, A/71/806*, A/71/800 and A/71/883))

15:00 to 16:00 **Informal consultations (closed)** Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Programme budget implications: Strengthening the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (A/C.5/71/22 and A/71/912))

16:00 to 18:00 **Informal consultations (closed)** Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 149 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Budget for the Regional Service Centre in Entebbe, Uganda, for the period from 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 (A/71/835 and A/71/836/Add.9))

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 **Closed meeting** Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 **Closed meeting** Conference Room 10

1. **Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019: Section 32 – Special Expenses**
2. **World Food Programme**

Security Council

Security Council Working Group on Peacekeeping Operations

15:00 **Closed meeting** Conference Room 7

[All troop- and police-contributing countries are invited to attend this meeting.]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006)
Regional outreach meeting

15:00 to 18:00 **Closed meeting** Conference Room 4

His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi (Italy), Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1718 (2006), will convene the fifth in a series of regional outreach meetings, for Member States of the Asia-Pacific Group. The purpose of the meeting will be to explore challenges and opportunities for a better understanding and more effective implementation of the Security Council sanctions regime regarding the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), particularly

resolutions 2270 (2016) and 2321 (2016). At the meeting, participants will hear briefings by the Chair of the 1718 Committee, the Secretary of the 1718 Committee and a member of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1874 (2009), followed by an interactive discussion.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

10:00 to 11:00 — Conference Room 4

The President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe) will convene a briefing on the status of preparations for the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the high-level segment of the Council at its 2017 session. All are invited to attend. For more details on the 2017 high-level political forum, please visit the website of the HLPF (please *click here*).

11:00 to 13:00 — Conference Room 4

The co-facilitators of the draft ministerial declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, and the high-level segment of the Council at its 2017 session (Austria and Jamaica) will convene informal consultations (closed) on the draft elements of the ministerial declaration. A letter dated 23 May 2017 was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers to the United Nations.

Humanitarian affairs segment

09:00 to 14:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 12

On the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 9), convened by the Permanent Missions of the Philippines and Switzerland

Coordination and management meeting

10:00 to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 8

On the draft resolution entitled "Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system" (under agenda item 12 (c)), convened by the co-facilitators (Algeria and Japan)

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2017 resumed session

10:00 to 13:00 — 25th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

15:00 to 18:00 — 26th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

1. Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2017/CRP.7 and E/C.2/2017/CRP.8) [item 3 (a)]

2. Applications from non-governmental organizations in consultative statuswith the Economic and Social Council that have merged with non-governmental organizations without such consultative status (E/C.2/2017/CRP.9) [item 3 (c)]

3. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2017/2/Add.24, E/C.2/2017/CRP.13, E/C.2/2017/CRP.14, E/C.2/2017/CRP.15, E/C.2/2017/CRP.17, E/C.2/2017/CRP.18, E/C.2/2017/CRP.19, E/C.2/2017/CRP.20, E/C.2/2017/CRP.21, E/C.2/2017/CRP.22, E/C.2/2017/CRP.23, E/C.2/2017/CRP.24, E/C.2/2017/CRP.25, E/C.2/2017/CRP.26, E/C.2/2017/CRP.27 and E/C.2/2017/CRP.28) [item 4 (b)]

4. Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2017/CRP.10) [item 4 (a)]

5. Other related matters (E/C.2/2017/CRP.11, E/C.2/2017/CRP.12, E/C.2/2017/CRP.16 and E/C.2/2017/CRP.29) [item 6 (c)]

[Members of the Committee, as well as observers, who wish to attend the session are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations in a note verbale to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Alexander Lomaia (e-mail lomaia@un.org, with a copy to komatina@un.org; Room S-3057). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee (its procedures, forms and documentation) is available on the Web site of the NGO Branch of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (*click here*).

Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online Paperless Committee System, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions.]

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum" (under agenda item 126 (q)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Federated States of Micronesia)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 10:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Workshop on "Implementation of the 2030 Agenda: Enhancing capacity of developing countries to adopt sustainable agriculture through *Juncao* technology to alleviate poverty and promote productive employment" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of China and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact DESA (Ms. Ang Chen (e-mail chena@un.org); or Mr. Chaudhry Iqbal (e-mail iqbalc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8563)); or *click here*.

Asia-Pacific Group (on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development of the United Nations System (QCPR))

13:00 to 14:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 17:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

10:00 83rd plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Election of the President of the General Assembly: election of the President of the General Assembly for the seventy-second session [item 4]

[Drawing of lots by the Secretary-General to determine the Member State which will occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the seventy-second session.]

2. Election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly: election of the Vice-Presidents of the General Assembly for the seventy-second session [item 6]

Immediately following the plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Consecutive meetings of the Main Committees for the purpose of electing the Chairs and the Bureaux of the Main Committees at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

Main Committees

First Committee

Immediately following the plenary meeting — 27th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the First Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Immediately following the meeting of the First Committee — 24th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Second Committee

Immediately following the meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) — 30th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Second Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Third Committee

Immediately following the meeting of the Second Committee — 58th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Third Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Fifth Committee

Immediately following the meeting of the Third Committee — 37th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Fifth Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Sixth Committee

Immediately following the meeting of the Fifth Committee — 34th meeting — General Assembly Hall

Election of the officers of the Main Committees: election of the Chair and the Bureau of the Sixth Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly [item 5]

Thursday, 1 June 2017

10:00 — 84th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

1. Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions: report of the Fifth Committee (A/71/590/Add.3) (to be issued) [item 115 (b)]
2. Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the political declarations on HIV/AIDS: report of the Secretary-General (A/71/864) [item 10]

15:00 — 85th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development [item 32]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/71/899)

(b) Draft resolution (A/71/L.71)

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Briefing

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

10:00 — Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Co-Moderators will convene the second working-level dialogue to discuss improving the integration and coordination of the work of the United Nations on the water-related goals and targets under its sustainable development pillar, with a particular emphasis on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

[Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 28 April 2017 and 23 May 2017, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
Monday, 5, to Friday, 9 June 2017

The United Nations Conference to Support the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development will be held at United Nations Headquarters from

Monday, 5 to Friday, 9 June 2017, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 70/303 of 9 September 2016. For further information, please *click here*.

The provisional agenda and provisional rules of procedure of the Conference have been issued as documents A/CONF.230/1 and A/CONF.230/2, respectively. The note by the Secretariat on organizational and procedural matters and the information for participants have been issued as document A/CONF.230/3 and A/CONF.230/INF/1, respectively.

The Conference will include *eight plenary meetings*, which will be held in the General Assembly Hall, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00;

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Wednesday, 7 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00;

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00.

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings, the "General debate" *is open*. Requests for inscription from the States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, for the general debate should be sent through the e-Speakers system available through the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within *one hour* of receipt of request for inscription.

The list of speakers for the general debate will be established on a first-come first-served basis with the customary protocol that ensures that Heads of States or Government speak first, followed by other heads of delegation. The European Union will be included in the list of speakers. It is proposed that a time limit of *five minutes* be established for each statement, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts. All delegations prior to the delivery of the statements are kindly requested to e-mail a copy of their statement to papersmart@un.org, indicating in the subject line: "Statement and Name of Country or Organization". Where possible, statements should be provided one day in advance of delivery or at *least three hours before* delivery of statement.

In addition, observers may in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate. Representatives of intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions and specialized agencies and related organizations may contact the Secretariat (c/o Mr. Carlos Galindo (e-mail galindo@un.org)) to be inscribed in the list of speakers.

Also, representatives of non-governmental organizations (rule 65), civil society organizations, academic institutions, the scientific community, the private sector and philanthropic organizations may, in accordance with resolution 70/303 and time permitting, make a statement during the general debate. These representatives are invited to indicate their interest to speak by using the form (*click here*). Preference will be given to statements that are delivered on behalf of groups of organizations.

The *seven partnership dialogues* will be held in Conference Room 4, as follows:

Monday, 5 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Addressing marine pollution";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Managing, protecting, conserving and restoring marine and coastal ecosystems";

Tuesday, 6 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Minimizing and addressing ocean acidification";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Making fisheries sustainable";

Wednesday, 7 June 2017 from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing economic benefits to small islands developing States and least developed countries and providing access for small-scale artisanal fishers to marine resources and markets";

Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Increasing scientific knowledge and developing research capacity and transfer of marine technology"; and

Friday, 9 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Enhancing the conservation and sustainable use of oceans and their resources by implementing international law as reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea".

The partnership dialogues *open* to all participants accredited to the Conference, will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature. The partnership dialogues will begin with a panel discussion, followed by an interactive dialogue among participants. Interventions in the interactive debate should be limited to *three minutes*. The order of speakers for each partnership dialogue will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis, bearing in mind equitable geographical distribution while allowing for some flexibility with priority given to States according to the level of representation, followed by intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, United Nations system, major groups and other relevant actors. It is envisaged that up to 25 States and 15 other participants will be accommodated to speak in the interactive debate of each partnership dialogue.

The deadline for indicating a speaking for the partnership dialogues has concluded on 19 May 2017. Additional guidance on the partnership dialogues as circulated by the President of the General Assembly, in a letter dated 6 April 2017, is available on the Conference website (*click here*).

The *special event commemorating World Ocean Day* will be held on Thursday, 8 June 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00, in the General Assembly Hall. Further details on the special event will be made available on the Conference website.

Delegations are reminded that, in accordance with rule 3 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference, the *credentials* of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and submitted to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Rooms S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week* before Monday, 5 June 2017.

The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of the European Union, by the President of the European Council or the President of the European Commission. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Accreditation of official delegations of States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities, associate members of regional commissions, as well as specialized agencies and related organizations, is handled by the United Nations Protocol and Liaison Service via the online system "eAccreditation".

Submission of online accreditation requests for members of the delegations via "eAccreditation" system must be handled by permanent/observer missions and offices in New York, who have already been registered and provided with secure login credential (password).

Delegations wishing to attend the conference are advised to coordinate with their missions/offices in New York for timely submission of accreditation requests. Additional information is available on the Conference website under "Registration" (*click here*).

For the compilation of the *List of Participants to the Conference*, representatives of States participating in the Conference, the European Union, intergovernmental organizations and other entities with an office in New York, and specialized agencies and related organizations are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat starting from 30 May 2017. Please be informed that the composition of delegation for the Conference should be submitted via the e-deleGATE electronic portal (https://delegate.un.int). Access to the Conference e-List of Participants will automatically be granted to users that already have access to the Protocol eAccreditation system and the General Assembly plenary e-speakers portal. Please be advised that the Conference e-List of Participants portal will be available from 30 May 2017 until 23 June 2017. A user's guide to the Conference e-List of Participants will be available on the Conference website. Additional questions regarding the Conference e-List of Participants should be directed to the Secretariat (Mr. Jonas von Freiesleben (e-mail freiesleben@un.org).

Representatives of intergovernmental organizations accredited to the Conference without an office in New York, associate members of regional commissions and United Nations organs are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the Secretariat (Ms. Lourdes Quiogue (e-mail quiogue@un.org)).

For *bilateral meetings* among States at the Head of State or Government or ministerial level, six rooms, each with a capacity to hold a maximum of eight participants, will be available in the General Assembly Building, from Monday, 5 June, to Friday, 9 June 2017. Requests for bilateral meetings should be submitted from Monday, 29 May 2017, electronically through eMeets by accessing http://icms.un.org, logging in with the username and password of their permanent mission and clicking on the "Bilateral" tab. The date and time of the bilateral meeting and the name of the other delegation participating in the meeting should be specified in the request. Reservations will be accepted for periods of *20 minutes*, on the *hour and half hour*. To prevent double booking, only the delegations initiating the bilateral meeting(s) should submit the request. Information on booth assignment *will be provided one day prior to the meeting*. Every effort will be made to keep a delegation's consecutive appointments in the same booth. Delegations requiring further information regarding bilateral requests should send their questions or enquiries to bilats-msu@un.org.

The schedule of side events to be organized during the Conference is now available on the Conference website (*click here*).

Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292 "Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction"
Preparatory meeting

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

The draft provisional agenda was sent to all those invited to participate in the meeting of the Preparatory Committee in accordance with resolution 69/292. All other documentation will be made available on the website of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Open-ended Working Group on the Fourth Special Session of the General Assembly Devoted to Disarmament
Third substantive session

Monday, 5, to Friday, 9 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 2

Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples
2017 resumed session

Monday, 12 June 2017

10:00 Conference Room 2

The Special Committee will consider Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73*e* of the Charter of the United Nations; the Dissemination of information on decolonization; Question of sending visiting missions to Territories; Question of Gibraltar; Question of Tokelau; and Question of Western Sahara. For information on the tentative programme of work for the rest of the session see document A/AC.109/2017/L.2. For inscription on the list of speakers, please contact Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org; with a copy to del-vasto@un.org).

Permanent missions are kindly requested (if not yet done so) to communicate to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the Special Committee (c/o Mr. Dino Del Vasto (e-mail del-vasto@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0388; Room S-3063; with copy to Mr. Tomas Casas (e-mail casast@un.org; Room S-3055)) the names of the representative(s) who will participate in the work of the Special Committee for the 2017 resumed session.

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of the States Parties
Tenth session

13 to 15 June 2017

The *provisional agenda* of the Conference is contained in document CRPD/CSP/2017/1, available together with other documents of the Conference through the Official Document System of the United Nations (ODS) as well as through the United Nations Enable website (*click here*).

The *general debate* will take place on Tuesday, 13 June 2017, starting right after the opening ceremony in the morning. The list of speakers is open for inscription from Tuesday, 23 May to Monday, 5 June 2017. Delegations are kindly requested to forward their inscription indicating the full name and title of the speaker by sending an e-mail directly to the secretariat (zhangg@un.org), *within the above time frame* and no later

than 17:00, of Monday, 5 June 2017. The delivery of each statement is limited to *three minutes*.

Credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the secretariat prior to the opening of the session by e-mail (zhangg@un.org), with the original copy sent to Mr. Guozhong Zhang, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (Room S-2905). States Parties that have not yet informed the secretariat of the *accessibility requirements* of delegates are advised to do so immediately, in order to facilitate their participation in the Conference.

The Conference will be a PaperSmart meeting. Delegations may submit electronically before or during the Conference by e-mail to papersmart4@un.org with copy to zhangg@un.org their full statement in Microsoft Word format for posting in the PaperSmart Portal of the Conference. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *30 hard copies* of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour before* delivery of the statement.

For *further information* concerning the Conference of the States Parties, please contact the secretariat or consult the United Nations Enable website (*click here*).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-seventh Meeting

12 to 16 June 2017 Economic and Social Council Chamber

The provisional agenda of the meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.78, available together with other documents of the meeting through the Official Document System of the United Nations (documents.un.org) as well as through the web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (*click here*).

Credentials of representatives of States Parties should be transmitted to the Secretariat (Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs, Room DC2-0450, United Nations, New York, NY 10017) as soon as possible and *no later* than twenty-four hours after the opening of the Meeting on *Monday, 12 June 2017*, signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs or any person authorized by either of them (rule 13 (2) of the Rules of Procedure for Meetings of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

In conformity with the understanding reached by the twenty-third Meeting of States Parties (see SPLOS/263, paragraph 101), credentials should cover the period from *Monday, 12 to Friday, 16 June 2017* and, to the extent practicable, also thereafter until the convening of the twenty-eighth Meeting of States Parties.

Timely submission of credentials is essential to ensure the efficient conduct of the election of seven members of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea and the election of twenty-one members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf.

Observers are invited to transmit to the Division the names of the representatives who will form part of their delegation *as soon as possible*.

PaperSmart arrangements will be available for the duration of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart5@un.org. The entity name, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be made available on the PaperSmart Portal after their delivery by delegations. PDF format is preferred.

To access the PaperSmart of the twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties, please *click here*.

Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the text for technical services *no later than one hour* before delivery of the statement.

United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination
15 June to 7 July 2017

The United Nations Conference to negotiate a legally-binding instrument to prohibit nuclear weapons, leading towards their total elimination, will continue its meetings from Thursday, 15 June to Friday, 7 July 2017, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 71/258 of 23 December 2016.

The indicative timetable for the June-July meetings has been issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/3/Add.1. A note by the Secretariat containing information for participants was issued in March 2017 as documents A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1 and A/CONF.229/2017/INF/1/Corr.1.

There will be *no formal list of speakers* for the General Exchange of views on the draft presented by the President of the Conference.

The *credentials* of representatives and the names of members of a delegation should be addressed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3604, S-3633 or S-3639), if possible *not less than one week before 15 June 2017*. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of the State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Copies of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (e-mail unprotocol@un.org; Room S-0201; fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

Permanent representatives and observers are kindly requested to submit a *comprehensive list of the members of their delegation* to the Conference, including the functional titles and affiliations of each member, to the Secretariat of the Conference (e-mail nuclear.conference@un.org; Room S-3058). A final comprehensive list of delegations to the Conference will be issued in August 2017.

The *participation of non-governmental organizations* in the Conference shall be governed by the decision adopted by the conference at its organizational session on 16 February 2017 (A/CONF.229/2017/1). A note by the Secretariat containing information for civil society representatives will be issued as document A/CONF.229/2017/INF/2/Add.1.

It is strongly recommended that documents submitted by States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities *should not exceed five pages* (2,650 words) to reduce costs, facilitate translation and ensure timely issuance. States, intergovernmental organizations and other entities are requested to submit documents in Microsoft Word

format to the Conference Secretariat (e-mail nuclear-conference@un.org). In light of the short timeframe in which the Conference will conduct its work, advance and unedited submissions may be posted in their original language on the Conference website maintained by the Office for Disarmament Affairs upon request, pending their issuance in six languages.

Limited space for lunchtime *side events* is available in the main conference room assigned to the Conference. Delegations wishing to hold a lunchtime side event in Conference Room 1 (15 June to 7 July 2017) are invited to contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1531) with a copy of the request to nuclear-conference@un.org. The available space will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

Additional information on the Conference is also available on the Conference website (*click here*).

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

Monday, 12 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

In preparation for its annual session, an informal pre-session information briefing will be held on major issues before the UN-Women Executive Board at its annual session (27-28 June 2017), combined with an informal briefing on the report of the Under-Secretary-General Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on progress made on the Strategic Plan 2014-2017

Informal briefings

Monday, 12 June 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 6

On the Strategic Plan 2018-2021

Tuesday, 20 June 2017

10:00 to 11:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On report of the internal audit and investigation activities for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2016 and its related management response

15:00 to 17:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

On report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2016; report on the corporate evaluation of UN-Women's strategic partnerships for gender equality and the empowerment of women; and the draft 2018-2021 Corporate Evaluation Plan

Wednesday, 21 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 1

On Integrated Budget 2018-2019

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Humanitarian affairs segment

Tuesday, 30 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 8

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 8

On the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under ag. /da item 9), convened by the Permanent Missions of the Philippines and Switzerland

Special meeting on innovations for infrastructure development and promoting sustainable industrialization

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

The Economic and Social Council will hold a special meeting to highlight the relevance of industry, innovation and infrastructure (Goal 9) for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The special meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council (Zimbabwe) and will comprise interactive panel discussions. There will be no pre-determined list of speakers, with interventions limited to *three minutes*.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing, no later than noon on Tuesday, 30 May 2017*, the names of the representatives attending the meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that *only one list of participants* will be issued at the conclusion of the 2017 session of the Council. Delegations are invited to nominate representatives for participation in the preparatory meeting. Please send nominations *as soon as possible* to Mr. Gregory Barrett, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail barrettg@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4723).

For more information on the special meeting and the preparatory events, please contact the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Additional information is also available on the website of the Council (*click here*).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Pre-session briefing

Wednesday, 31 May

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

In preparation for its annual session, an informal pre-session information briefing will be held on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its annual session (13-16 June 2017), combined with an informal briefing on: (a) Annual report for 2016 of the Executive Director of UNICEF; and (b) Annual report on the implementation of the UNICEF Gender Action Plan, 2014-2017.

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal briefing

Friday, 2 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

On: (a) UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2018-2021, draft for review; and

(b) Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2016

Annual session

13 to 16 June 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work of the UNICEF Executive Board are contained in document E/ICEF/2017/5. Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available by *clicking here*. Member States as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session are requested to fax their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (1(212) 326-7096); or e-mail them to harai@unicef.org, as early as possible, *but no later than Friday, 9 June 2017*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

The time limit set for delivering statements during the general discussion is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for individual delegations.

UNICEF is fully committed to diversity and inclusion. To ensure that the Executive Board session is fully accessible, participants are kindly reminded of a few basic tenets that will enable all delegates to enjoy the full benefit of the deliberations.

To the extent possible, speakers are encouraged to introduce themselves and to read out and/or verbally describe visual materials in slides, charts and graphs. The United Nations provides a range of tools and services in support of persons with disabilities through its Accessibility Centre (located in the first basement level of the Conference Building); an Accessibility Service Kiosk (adjacent to the Information Desk at the Visitors' Entrance); and a Documents Assistance Centre (in the Delegates' Lounge). UNICEF would be happy

to put delegates in touch with the Centre, or with advance notice they can let us know what services they wish us to procure on their behalf.

As per established practice, advance copies of all session documentation are available on the UNICEF Executive Board website (*click here*).

The upcoming 2017 annual session will be PaperSmart. During the session, instead of distributing hardcopies in the conference room, all documentation will be available for downloading electronically through the UNICEF Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

The UNICEF Executive Board homepage (*click here*) will also provide a link to the PaperSmart Portal.

Delegations planning to present statements at the session are kindly requested to submit electronic versions to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board (Attn. Mr. Dillon Leano (e-mail dleano *a* unicef.org)). The intended agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement *and* in the subject line of the e-mail. These statements will remain embargoed until delivery of the statement and then posted to the PaperSmart Portal.

Delegations are kindly requested to bring *10 copies* of their statements to the conference officers for interpretation.

Delegations are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meeting in order to access electronically the official documents and statements from the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

On the preliminary findings and conclusions of the Evaluation of the UNDP Strategic Plan 2014-2017, global and regional programmes and preliminary management response

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

On the early findings of the evaluation of the UNV Strategic Framework 2014-2017 results, and the UNV Strategic Framework 2018-2021

Thursday, 1 June 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

On the UNCDF Strategic Framework, 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited.

Annual session 2017

30 May to 9 June 2017 Conference Room 3

The provisional agenda, annotations and list of documents for the session are contained in document DP/2017/L.2. Kindly note that documents, for the UNDP and UNOPS segments of the session are posted on the UNDP Executive Board website and for the UNFPA segment on the UNFPA website. Member States, observers and other organizations attending the session are requested to e-mail their credentials (names and titles of each delegation member, on official letterhead), as well as any requests to be on the speakers list, to Executive Board Secretariat (e-mail eb.secretariat@undp.org) for UNDP and UNOPS, and to Ms. Lourdeth Ferguson (e-mail ferguson@unfpa.org) for UNFPA.

The annual session 2017 will be PaperSmart, as per established practice. Instead of distributing hard copies, all official documentation will be available on the Executive Board PaperSmart Portal. The PaperSmart Portal will provide access to the official documents in all official languages. Statements, background documents, informal documents and presentations will be available in the language of submission.

The portal will be accessible by *clicking here*. Documents and statements will be available for viewing and downloading through laptops, tablets and/or other mobile devices. Alternatively, Member States may request hard copies of documents using the print on demand icon located next to the document in the PaperSmart Portal.

Member States may also request hard copies of documents at the Conference Officers' desk located in the conference room.

Delegations are invited to send electronic copies of their statements or presentations by e-mail to the PaperSmart secretariat (e-mail papersmart4@un.org), *at least two hours in advance* of their speaking slot. The intended agenda item should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart Portal upon delivery. Delegations are kindly requested to provide *20 hard copies* of the official statements for the interpretation and other services.

Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP
Joint meeting

Monday, 19 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 4

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

Informal consultations

Monday, 5 June 2017

13:15 to 14:45 Conference Room 11

On the UNFPA Integrated Budget, 2018-2021

All member and observer delegations are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Imelda Katjomuise, UNFPA (e-mail katjomuise@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (212) 297-4927).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/71/251 and A/71/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution A/71/L.70, entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (under agenda item 62 (a)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of South Africa)

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room B

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

Expert group meeting entitled "Strategies to Achieve Gender Equality and Empower all Women and Girls through the Gender-Responsive Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (co-organized by the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

14:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

14:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Joann Lee, UN-Women (e-mail joann.lee@unwomen.org).

Working-level water dialogue on "Water – stock-taking and possible next steps" (based on A/RES/71/222) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Hungary and Tajikistan, in collaboration with the Office of the President of the General Assembly)

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms Veronika Csiszár, Permanent Mission of Hungary (e-mail veronika.csiszar@mfa.gov.hu); or Mr. Jonibek Hikmatov, Permanent Mission of Tajikistan (e-mail jonibek@gmail.com).

Event entitled "Insights of the Colombian Peace Process" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Colombia, Cuba and Norway)

Tuesday, 30 May 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 9

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Natalia Arboleda, Permanent Mission of Colombia (e-mail narboleda@colombiaun.org; tel. 1 (212) 355-7776).

Event on "Urban Crime and Governance: Building Safer Cities to Achieve the SDGs and Prevent Conflict" (A/RES/71/256) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), and the New York University Center on International Cooperation)

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNODC New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5698).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 31 May 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Briefing entitled "The Global Ageing Population: Impact and Implementation of Agenda 2030" (organized by NGO Relations, Advocacy and Special Events Section, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information (DPI))

Thursday, 1 June 2017

11:00 to 12:45 Conference Room 2

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI/NGO Relations Section (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380).

Workshop entitled "Oceans, Biodiversity and Sharks" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Fiji and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR))

Friday, 2 June 2017

9:45 to 13:00 Conference Room S-0310

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Álvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mail pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org; or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, please *click here*).

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (facilitation on the activation of the Court's jurisdiction over the crime of aggression)

Friday, 2 June 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Event entitled "Women Leaders Forum for Africa's Transformation and Launch of the African Women Leaders Network" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany, the Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union, the African Union Commission and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

Friday, 2 June 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For more information, please contact Ms. Verlaine Diane Soobroydoo, Permanent Observer Mission of the African Union (e-mail verlaine.soobroydoo@unwomen.org); or Ms. Sophie Giscard d'Estaing, UN-Women (e-mail s.giscarddestaing@unwomen.org)); to register, please send an e-mail to awln@unwomen.org.

Event on "World Environment Day Ceremony" (A/RES/2994 (XXVII)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

Monday, June 5 2017

14:45 to 15:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Alexandra Vachon White, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail alexandra.vachonwhite@international.gc.ca).

Meeting of the Steering Committee of the 10X20 Initiative on Marine Protected Areas (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Bahamas, Italy, Kenya, Palau and Poland, and the Ocean Sanctuary Alliance)

Thursday, 8 June 2017

15:00 to 16:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Eugenia Palagi, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail eugenia.palagi@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the months of *May and June 2017*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents (English and French)

Peacekeeping Research

General Assembly Documentation

Security Council Documentation

Introduction to Legal Resources

Introduction to Library Services

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific: Deadline for applications – 31 May 2017

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific will be held in Bangkok, Thailand from Monday, 20 November to Friday, 15 December 2017. This course is open for candidates from Member States and Non-Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States.

Applications for the 2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Asia-Pacific are now being accepted. *The deadline for applications is Wednesday, 31 May 2017*. The Regional Course will be conducted in *English* in 2017.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States Parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States Parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States Parties will take place in 2017, as follows:

Fourth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance (20 June 2017), to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (*click here* for general information);

Twenty-seventh Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (22 June 2017), to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (*click here* for general information); and

Eighth Meeting of States Parties to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families (28 June 2017), to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (*click here* for general information).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded.

All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week* before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn: Ms. Sheilah Trotta (e-mail trotta@un.org; Room S-1309)).

For any clarifications on these elections, consult OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Nenad Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free.

Print-on-demamd versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department off Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 23 May 2017

Economic and Social Council
2017 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

[archived video]

4th meeting

Follow-up and review of the Financing for Development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development [item 2]

(c) Ministerial round tables

The forum began its consideration of the sub-item.

Ministerial round tables on "Steps taken towards implementation of commitments contained in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and other financing for development outcomes"

Ministerial round table 3

The round table was chaired by the President of the Council, who made an opening statement.

The Moderator of the round table, Mr. Yonov Frederick Agah, Deputy Director-General of the World Trade Organization, also made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: His Excellency Miguel Angel Estuardo Moir Sandoval, Secretary of Planning of Guatemala; His Excellency Teuea Toatu, Minister for Finance and Economic Development of Kiribati; His Excellency Modeste Randrianarivony, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Madagascar; Her Excellency Carola Iniguez Zambrano, Undersecretary of International Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador; and Ms. Inger Buxton, Deputy Head of the Global Agenda Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

A statement was made by the lead discussant, Mr. Fanwell Kenala Bokosi, Executive Director of the African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD).

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which a representative of Cabo Verde participated.

Statements were also made by the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council: Society for International Development and Agricultural Missions.

Adoption of the intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations [item 3]

The forum began its consideration of the item.

Statements were made by the co-facilitators of the draft intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations, His Excellency Jerry Matthews Matjila, Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations; and His Excellency Marc Pecsteen de Buytswerve, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations.

The forum was informed that the draft intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations contained no programme budget implications.

The forum adopted the draft intergovernmentally agreed conclusions and recommendations, as contained in document E/FFDF/2017/L.1.

A statement in explanation of position was made by the representative of the United States.

A statement was made by the representative of the European Union.

The forum concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Follow-up and review of the financing for development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development [item 2]

(b) General debate

The forum continued its consideration of the sub-item and heard statements by His Excellency Ajedra Gabriel Gadison Aridru, Minister of State for Finance of Uganda (on behalf of the African Group and in his national capacity); His Excellency Rubén Darío Molina, Vice-Minister for Multilateral Affairs and Integration of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela; His Excellency Admasu Nebebe, State Minister, Ministry of Finance and Economic Cooperation of Ethiopia; Her Excellency Grace Karen Singson, Under-Secretary, Department of Finance of the Philippines; His Excellency Agustín García-López, Head of the Agency for International Development Cooperation of Mexico; His Excellency Efrain Correa, Presidential Director of Strategic Planning, Budget and Public Investment of Honduras; His Excellency Modeste Randrianarivony, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Madagascar; His Excellency Michael Gerber, Ambassador and Special Envoy for Global Sustainable Development of Switzerland; His Excellency Valentin Rybakov, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Belarus; His Excellency Agustín García-López, Head of the Agency for International Development Cooperation of Mexico (also on behalf of Australia, Indonesia, the

Republic of Korea and Turkey); Ms. Sultana Afroz, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Finance of Bangladesh (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries); Mr. Nelson Amaya, Director of Foreign Policy and Multilateral Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States); Mr. Gonçalo Nuno Gamito Beija de Teles Gomes, Vice-President, Camões – Institute for Cooperation and Language, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Portugal; Mr. Anoupharb Vongnorkeo, Director-General of the Department of International Organizations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic; Mr. Lee Kyoo Ho, Director of the Development Policy Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea; Ms. Katharina Peter, Head of the Financing for Development and Donor Partnerships Division, Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany; Mr. Rawle Lucas, Executive Director, Department of Global Economic Cooperation, Trade and Investment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Guyana; Mr. Pagnathun Theng, Director-General, Ministry of Planning, Cambodia; Ms. Ana Vaeria Ciuti, Director-General for International Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Argentina; Mr. Boubacar Adamou, Director-General for Multilateral Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Niger; Mr. Laird Hindle, Deputy-Director, Development Policy Planning, Global Affairs, Canada; His Excellency Ahmed Sareer, Permanent Representative of the Maldives to the United Nations (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States); His Excellency Cosmos Richardson, Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the United Nations (on behalf of the Caribbean Community); Her Excellency Alya Ahmed Saif Al-Thani, Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations; His Excellency Nawaf Salam, Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations; His Excellency Liu Jieyi, Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations; Her Excellency Maria Emma Mejía Vélez, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations; His Excellency Virachai Plasai, Permanent Representative of Thailand to the United Nations; His Excellency Keith Hamilton Llewellyn Marshall, Permanent Representative of Barbados to the United Nations; His Excellency Julio César Arriola Ramírez; Permanent Representative of Paraguay to the United Nations; Her Excellency Mirgul Moldoisaeva, Permanent Representative of Kyrgyzstan to the United Nations; His Excellency José Luis Fialho Rocha, Permanent Representative of Cabo Verde to the United Nations; His Excellency Sebastiano Cardi, Permanent Representative of Italy to the United Nations; His Excellency Zohrab Mnatsakanyan, Permanent Representative of Armenia to the United Nations; Mr. Petr V. Iliichev; Chargé d'Affaires of the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the United Nations; Her Excellency Ina Hagniningtyas Krisnamurthi, Deputy Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations; Her Excellency Ei Ei Khin Aye, Deputy Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the United Nations; His Excellency Carlos Sergio Sobral Duarte, Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil to the United Nations; Ms. Guamaral Altangerel, Deputy Permanent Representative of Mongolia to the United Nations; and Mr. Zoltan Varga, Deputy Permanent Representative of Hungary to the United Nations.

Representatives of Cuba, India, Holy See, Burkina Faso, Costa Rica; Egypt; South Africa; United Republic of Tanzania; Mali; Morocco; Norway, Djibouti; Tunisia; Algeria; the Sudan; and Zambia (on behalf of the Group of Landlocked Developing Countries) made statements.

A statement was made by a representative of the United Nations Capital Development Fund.

A statement was also made by a representative of the Society for International Development, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Czech Republic).

Wednesday, 24 May 2017

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

[archived video]

5th meeting

Follow-up and review of the Financing for Development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development [item 2]

(b) General debate

The forum continued its general debate under agenda item 2 and heard a statement by the representative of Peru.

A statement was also made by the observer of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The forum thus concluded its general debate under the agenda item.

(d) Thematic round tables, panel discussions and interactive dialogues

The forum began its consideration of the sub-item.

Panel discussion on the 2017 report of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development

The panel discussion was chaired by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Czech Republic).

The Director of the Financing for Development Office at the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) delivered a statement on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, who is also the Chair of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development.

The Chief of Policy Analysis and Development of the Financing for Development Office, DESA, made a statement and proceeded to moderate the panel discussion.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Yonov Frederic Agah, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization; Mr. Siddarth Tiwari, Director, Strategy Policy and Review Department, International Monetary Fund; Mr. Richard Kozul-Wright, Director, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Mr. Pedro Conceição, Director, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, United Nations Development Programme; and Mr. David Kuijper, Advisor on Financing for Development, World Bank Group.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which representatives of Bangladesh, Algeria and the European Union participated.

The observer of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) participated in the dialogue.

The representative of the World Health Organization also participated.

Thematic round table A on "Domestic and international public resources" (Action area A and C of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda)

The round table was chaired by the Vice-President (Czech Republic), who made a statement.

The moderator of the round table, Ms. Monique Vledder, Practice Manager for the Global Financing Facility, also made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Darrell Bradley, Mayor of Belize City; Ms. Elfrieda Steward Tamba, Commissioner General, Liberia Revenue Authority; Mr. Philippe Orliange, Director, Agence Française de Développement; and Mr. Jorge Moreira da Silva, Director of the Development Cooperation Directorate, OECD.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which representatives of Algeria and Belgium participated.

The representatives of the International Monetary Fund and the United Nations Capital Development Fund participated in the dialogue.

A representative of Citi Group, an entity from the business sector, also participated.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, also participated: Public Services International and Global Policy Forum.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Czech Republic).

6th meeting

Follow-up and review of the financing for development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Thematic round tables, panel discussions and interactive dialogues [item 2 (d)]

Thematic round table B on "Domestic and international private business and finance" (Action area B of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda)

The round table was chaired by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Pakistan), who made an opening statement.

The Moderator of the panel discussion, Ms. Preeti Sinha, Senior President of the YES Global Institute, also made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: His Excellency Courtney Rattray, Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations; Mr. Herve Duteil, Managing Director and Head of Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainable Finance for the Americas, BNP Paribas; and Mr. Naohiro Nishiguchi, Executive Managing Director of Japan Innovation Network.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which representatives of Japan, Chile, Uganda, Peru, and Canada participated.

The representative of the United Nations Global Compact also participated in the dialogue.

A representative of Principles for Responsible Investments (PRI), an entity from the business sector, also participated.

The representative of Christian Aid, a non-governmental organization in consultative status with the Council also participated.

Thematic round table C on "Debt and systemic issues" (Action areas E and F of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda)

The Vice-President (Pakistan) made a statement.

The Moderator of the round table, Mr. Siddharth Tiwari, Director of the Strategy and Policy Review Department of the International Monetary Fund, also made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panelists: His Excellency Dr. E. Angus Friday, Ambassador of Grenada to the United States; Mr. Camillo von Müller, Economist at the Federal Ministry of Finance of Germany; Ms. Marilou Uy, Executive Director of the International Group of 24 Secretariat; and Ms. Patricia Miranda, Senior Officer on Finance for Development of the Latindadd-Fundación Jubileo of Bolivia.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which statements were made by the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council or accredited to the previous international conferences on financing for development: Year of Relief 2000, General Confederation of Italian Labour, and Third World Institute.

The representative of the Global Clearinghouse on Development Finance, an entity from the business sector, also participated.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Pakistan).

Thursday, 25 May 2017

Security Council

[Archived Video]

7951st meeting *Protection of civilians in armed conflict*

Protection of civilians and medical care in armed conflict

Letter dated 26 April 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2017/363)

Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2017/414)

The meeting was presided over by His Excellency Rodolfo Nin Novoa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Belarus, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cyprus, Estonia, Germany, Guatemala, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, the Syrian Arab Republic, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) to participate in the meeting, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Christine Beerli, Vice-President of the International Committee of the Red Cross, and Mr. Bruno Stagno Ugarte, Deputy Executive Director for Advocacy of Human Rights Watch, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure, the President invited His Excellency Eduardo Fernandez Zincke, Counsellor and Head of the Humanitarian Affairs Section of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting.

The President invited the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See to the United Nations to participate in the meeting in accordance with the provisional rules of procedure and the Council's previous practice.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the Secretary-General, His Excellency António Guterres.

The Council heard briefings by Ms. Beerli and Mr. Stagno Ugarte.

The President, His Excellency Rodolfo Nin Novoa, made a statement in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uruguay.

Statements were made by His Excellency Sergiy Kyslytsya, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine; and His Excellency Shunsuke Takei, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, China, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, France, Kazakhstan, Senegal, the United States, Ethiopia, Sweden, the Russian Federation, Egypt and Italy.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Rubén Darío Molina, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (speaking on behalf of the Non-Aligned Movement).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Brazil.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Ildefonso Castro Lopez, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of Spain.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Mexico, Colombia, Liechtenstein, Pakistan and Hungary.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Fernandez Zincke (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its member States; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine and the Republic of Moldova, which aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Austria, Peru, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Indonesia, Slovenia (speaking on behalf of the members of the Human Security Network), Belgium, Germany, Estonia, Israel, Switzerland (speaking on behalf of the members of the Group of Friends on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict) and Romania.

The Council heard a statement by the Permanent Observer of the Observer State of the Holy See.

Statements were made by the representatives of Jordan, Poland, New Zealand, the Netherlands, the Syrian Arab Republic, Paraguay, Belarus, South Africa, Nigeria, Turkey, Guatemala, Bangladesh, Qatar, Australia, Armenia, Kuwait, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Malaysia, the United Arab Emirates, Chile, Argentina, Côte d'Ivoire, Canada, Ireland, Norway (speaking on behalf of the Nordic countries: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden), Morocco, Portugal and Azerbaijan.

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

[archived video]

36th meeting

Appointments to fill vacancies in subsidiary organs and other appointments [item 115]

(b) Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions (A/71/102/Rev.1/Add.3)

The Committee decided, by acclamation, to recommend that the General Assembly appoint Mr. Steve Townley (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland), as a member of the Committee on Contributions, beginning on the date of appointment by the General Assembly until 31 December 2017.

Programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/71/L.66 on strengthening the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

The Acting Deputy Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced the statement submitted by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/71/L.66 on strengthening the capability of the United Nations system to assist Member States in implementing the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (A/C.5/71/22).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/912).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States and the Russian Federation.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on Friday, 26 May, in the afternoon, and would be coordinated by Mr. Robert Ngei Mule (Kenya).

Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei [item 150]

The Director, Peacekeeping Financing Division, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced the report of the Secretary-General on financing arrangements for the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei for the period from 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 (A/71/876).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/71/913).

The representative of Ethiopia made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this item will be held as reflected in the programme of work and would be coordinated by Ms. Rita Le Diffard (Hungary).

Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [item 160]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The Committee resumed its consideration of this sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of Sri Lanka, coordinator of the informal consultations on this sub-item, who apprised the Committee of the results of the informal consultations.

In light of the statement by the representative of Sri Lanka, the representative of Ecuador, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/71/L.31.

The representative of Israel made a statement.

The Chair informed the Committee that action on the draft resolution would be taken at a future meeting.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Thursday, 25 May, immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting on agenda item 158 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia), followed by agenda item 161 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan).

The Chair further informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Thursday, 25 May, in the afternoon, on agenda item 149 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations, in particular on the question of cross-cutting issues).

The Chair made concluding remarks.

Economic and Social Council

2017 session

Forum on financing for development follow-up

[archived video]

7th meeting

Follow-up and review of the Financing for Development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Thematic round tables, panel discussions and interactive dialogues [item 2 (d)]

The forum continued its consideration of the sub-item.

Thematic round table D on "Trade, science, technology, innovation and capacity-building" (Action areas D and G of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda)

The round table was chaired by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council (Chile), who made an opening statement.

The Chief of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development Office in New York made a statement and proceeded to moderate the round table.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Ratnakar Adhikari, Executive Director for Enhanced Integrated Framework, Nepal; Mr. Mark Henderson, Directorate General for Trade, European Commission; Ms. Sirimali Fernando, Chairperson, National Science Foundation, Sri Lanka; and Mr. Joon Kim, Head of Global Trade, BNY Mellon.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which the representatives of Mexico, Chile, Nepal and Algeria participated.

The observer of the International Chamber of Commerce participated in the dialogue.

The representative of the International Trade Centre also participated.

The representatives of the following non-governmentally organizations in consultative status with the Council or accredited to the previous international conferences on financing for development participated: Public Services International and Gestos.

Expert discussion 1 on "Promoting international cooperation to combat illicit financial flows in order to foster sustainable development"

The expert discussion was chaired by the Vice-President (Chile), who made a statement.

The Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime also made a statement and proceeded to moderate the discussion.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Eric C. Hylton, Executive Director for International Operations, Internal Revenue Service – Criminal Investigations, United States; Mr. S.O. Olaniyan, Deputy Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nigeria; Mr. Adam Elhiraika, Director, Macroeconomic Policy Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa; and Mr. Alex Cobham, Director of the Tax Justice Network.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which representatives of Nigeria, Ghana, Ethiopia, Ecuador and South Africa participated.

Expert discussion 2 on "The specific challenges to finance sustainable development for countries in special situations"

The Vice-President (Chile) chaired the expert discussion.

The Assistant Administrator and Director of the Bureau for Policy and Programme Support of the United Nations Development Programme made a statement and proceeded to moderate the discussion.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: His Excellency Tevita Lavemaau, Minister of Finance and National Planning, Tonga; Mr. Nim Dorji, Finance Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Bhutan; and Mr. William Jose Calvo, Deputy Chief Negotiator for Climate Change and Sustainable Development Official, Costa Rica.

An interactive dialogue ensued, in which representatives of Zambia, Mexico, Honduras, Bangladesh and the European Union participated.

Organization of work

A statement was made by the Vice-President (Chile).

8th meeting

Follow-up and review of the financing for development outcomes and the means of implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Thematic round tables, panel discussions and interactive dialogues [item 2 (d)]

Stakeholder dialogue

The dialogue was chaired by the President of the Economic and Social Council (Zimbabwe), who made a statement.

The dialogue was moderated by Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Director of the Financing for Development Office of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, who also made a statement.

Presentations were made by the following panellists: Mr. Stefano Prato, Managing Director of the Society for International Development and Ms. Emilia Reyes of Equidad de Genero (civil society); Ms. Hui Chan, Vice-President for Corporate Sustainability of Citi Group (business sector); and Mr. Wild Ndipo, Mayor of Blantyre, Malawi; and Mr. Daviz Simango, Mayor of Beira, Mozambique (local authorities).

An interactive dialogue ensued during which a statement was made by the representative of Mozambique.

The representatives of the following non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council or accredited to previous international conferences on financing for development also participated: Feminist Task Force; Society for International Development; and the General Italian Confederation of Labour.

Outcomes of the fora mandated by the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and updates on key voluntary initiatives launched at the Third International Conference on Financing for Development

The President of the Council (Zimbabwe) made a statement.

The dialogue was moderated by Mr. Alexander Trepelkov, Director of FfDO/DESA, who also made a statement.

The Manager, Office of Strategic Planning and Development Effectiveness of the Inter-American Development Bank, Mr. Luis Miguel Castilla, and the Acting Representative of the European Investment Bank, Ms. Carlota Cenalmore, reported on the outcome of the Second Global Infrastructure Forum held on 22 April 2017.

The President of the Council reported on the outcome of the fifth biennial Development Cooperation Forum of the Council, held on 21 and 22 July 2016.

The Chief, Policy and Analysis Branch, Division for Sustainable Development of DESA, Mr. Shantanu Mukherjee, reported on the outcome of the second multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals, held on 15 and 16 May 2017.

An interactive discussion ensued during which statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands and Australia.

The forum thus concluded its consideration of sub-item 2 (d) and agenda item 2 as a whole.

Adoption of the report [item 4]

The Council began its consideration of the item.

Following a statement by the President (Zimbabwe), the forum adopted its draft report contained in document E/FfDF/2017/L.2 and requested the Secretariat, in consultation with the President, to complete the report for submission to the Economic and Social Council.

The forum thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4.

Conclusion of work

The President of the Council made closing remarks and declared concluded the 2017 Economic and Social Council forum on financing for development follow-up.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2017 resumed session

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23rd meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Burundi, Turkey, Sudan, India, Nicaragua, Pakistan, the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Azerbaijan, Israel, Cuba, South Africa, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Russian Federation and China.

The Committee took note of the request from one non-governmental organization to withdraw its application for consideration for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 7 non-governmental organizations.

24th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [item 3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Cuba, China, Israel, Azerbaijan, Mauritania, Pakistan, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States, Turkey, Greece and Nicaragua, as well as by the observer for Estonia.

The Committee took note of the request from one non-governmental organization to withdraw its application for consideration for consultative status with the Economic and Social Council.

The representatives of South Africa and Pakistan posed questions to the representative of the following non-governmental organization: Coptic Solidarity.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Cuba, Greece, China and Nicaragua.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendments to the Text and to Annexes I, II, III, IV, VI and VIII to the 1998 Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Geneva, 18 December 2009

Acceptance: Slovakia (25 May 2017)

Amendments to Annexes I and II to the 1998 Protocol on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Geneva, 18 December 2009

Acceptance: Slovakia (25 May 2017)

Amendment of the text and annexes II to IX to the Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone and the addition of new annexes X and XI, Geneva, 4 May 2012

Acceptance: Slovakia (25 May 2017)

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, Kigali, 15 October 2016

Ratification: Rwanda (23 May 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

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General Assembly

Seventy-first session

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The following items on the agenda remain open for consideration during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly: agenda items 9 to 15, 19, 19 (b), 20, 28 to 35, 37, 38, 40 to 46, 51, 61, 62, 62 (a) and (b), 65, 65 (a), 68, 68 (b), 69, 69 (a) to (d), 73, 73 (a), 87, 110 to 112, 114, 114 (a), 115, 115 (b) (g), (h), (i), (k), and (l), 116 to 118, 120 to 125, 126, 126 (b), (c), (e) to (h), (j), (k), (m), (p), (q), (s), (t) and (z), and 127 to 164.

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Seventy-second session

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